NATIONAL DISLOCATED WORKER GRANTS

DISASTER RECOVERY - EMERGENCY FUNDING FOR COVID-19 RESPONSE



Period of Performance	Approved Amount
4/10/20 - 3/31/22	\$8,325,000
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Planned Participants	Target Population
1160	Dislocated Workers
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<u>Supporting Illinois' COVID-19</u> Dislocated Workers

Statewide

Project Summary (Need)

The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Office of Employment and Training and the Local Workforce Innovation Areas (LWIAs) determined that the hardest hit businesses across the State are those in Hospitality, Retail and the Service sector. Through the DWGs, Illinois intends to prioritize services to individuals most impacted by the crisis, including low wage and traditionally lower skilled individuals who have been let go or furloughed from their current employers. Funds will be utilized to address immediate actions to stabilize families. During this unprecedented time of work separation. Illinois will also utilize the funds to support humanitarian and cleanup recovery needs by providing Disaster Relief Employment in a variety of sectors.

Disaster Relief Employment

The proposed DWG will create disaster-relief positions for the delivery of food and medicine, set-up of quarantine areas, providing healthcare for essential workers, sanitizing public buildings, assisting medical professionals, and distribution of essential goods and services. The State indicated there is an immediate need to provide employment and training activities to workers affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Eligible Participants

Workers laid off due to quarantine orders or business closures related to disruptions caused by the outbreak are eligible participants. Also eligible are workers unable to go to their regular workplace due to social distancing requirements, as well as those missing work to care for a family member.

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TEGL 12-19 (National Dislocated Worker Guidance)
https://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/corr_doc.cfm?docn=9054